AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace Paragraph **[0002]**, **[0024]**, **[0029]**, and **[0030]** with the following paragraph rewritten in amendment format:

[0002] Fastener assemblies come in a variety of shapes, sizes, designs and materials. Many fastener assemblies include not only a fastener such as a bolt, pin or screw, but also will include a fastener insert to be positioned within a tapped hole or nut. The type of fastener insert needed for a particular fastening operation will in large part dictate the type of fastener to be employed. While the present invention is applicable to various fastener assemblies wherein galvanic corrosion is a potential problem, the invention will hereinafter be described with reference to fastener assemblies with metallic helically coiled wire fastener inserts. By way of non-limiting example, certain metallic helically coiled wire inserts useful in association with a threaded fastener ~~is~~ are described in U.S. Patent No. 2,672,070 entitled Wire Coil Screw Thread Insert for Molded Material. Other fastener inserts which can be coated in accordance with the teachings of the present invention are described in U.S. Patent Nos. 2,512,316; 2,586,007; 2,708,265; 2,755,699; 2,874,741; 2,934,123; 3,018,684, each of which is expressly incorporated by reference.

Please replace Paragraph **[0024]** with the following paragraph rewritten in amendment format:

[0024] The fastener 12 generally includes a head 20 and a shank 22 having radially outwardly projecting threads 24. The fastener insert 14 may be of any form capable of retaining the fastener within the receiving element 16 such as a tapped hole 18 of a substrate 50, but preferably is in the form of a helically wound wire 26 including

a body 28 having a plurality of convolutions 30 disposed between first and second ends, 32 and 34, respectively. At least one of the ends may be provided with a selectively removable driving tang ~~36~~ for assistance in the installation of the insert within a tapped hole. While the receiving element of the currently described embodiment is in the form of a tapped hole, it should be noted that an alternative embodiment is depicted in the fastener assembly of Figure 6, wherein coated fastener inserts are used with locking nuts instead of within tapped holes.

Please replace Paragraph **[0029]** with the following paragraph rewritten in amendment format:

[0029] Interestingly, the chromate free fluoropolymer coated-fastener inserts of ~~he~~ the present invention appear to have a smoother finish than those coated with the chromate inclusive compositions. Despite the smoother finish, the chromate free fluoropolymer coated fastener inserts perform better than fastener inserts coated with chromate inclusive fluoropolymer compositions during prevailing torque test conducted using ~~tangles~~ tangless inserts. This is unexpected in that a smoother finish would normally dictate a propensity for movement of a fastener insert within a tapped hole wherein all operating parameters are the same, which was not the case.

Please replace Paragraph **[0030]** with the following paragraph rewritten in amendment format:

[0030] It is preferred that the dry fluoropolymer film thickness be in the range of 0.1 to about 0.7 mils, and preferably in the range of ~~between~~ 0.3 to about 0.5 mils. As such, it is preferred that under dip spin applications ~~that~~ at least two coats are

applied to obtain the preferred thickness. Using conventional spray application techniques, a single coat is possible.